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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Group Art Unit: 1632

Inventor: Alison, Malcolm R. et al.

Examiner: Dan Sullivan

Serial No.: 09/769,204

Filed: January 24, 2001

For: COMBINATIONS AND METHODS  
FOR PROMOTING IN VIVO LIVER CELL  
PROLIFERATION AND ENHANCING IN  
VIVO LIVER DIRECTED GENE  
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

A. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted  
☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)  
☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on  
☐ Other

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- b. ☒ Enclosed  
☒ Amendment/Reply  
☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)  
☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)  
☒ Other—self address stamped postcard

**Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months.
- b. ☐ Other
- B.**
- a. ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-0665.
- b. ☒ A check in the amount of \$750 is enclosed to cover the following fees.  
☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) \$750/\$375  
☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §1.136 and §1.17)  
☐ Other
- c. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment in fees (or credit any overpayments) to Deposit Account No. 50-0665.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: March 28, 2003

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

BOX RCE  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In connection with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114, filed herewith, please enter the following amendments and consider the following arguments in response to the final office action, mailed February 11, 2003. The RCE and accompanying amendment are filed within three months of the mailing date of the action, thus making this response timely.

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